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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: H.R. 14144 - Codifying Title 44, United States Code

1. H.R. 14144 provides for enacting into positive law Title 44 dealing with the general and permanent laws relating to public printing and documents. As in other enactments of the Code, the sole purpose of the bill is to restate the law without substantive change. Consequently, its enactment should in no way impair existing Agency authorities.

2. H.R. 14144 is being forwarded to the Offices of Logistics, Security, and General Counsel for review to confirm this. In this connection attention is invited to certain provisions in the bill (references are to Chapter sections of H.R. 14144).

a. § 311 - requiring detailed reporting to Public Printer on excess or surplus equipment and making such equipment subject to requisition with the approval of the Joint Committee on Printing;

b. § 501(2) - requiring approval by the Joint Committee on Printing for printing in field printing plants;

c. § 504 - concerning authorization for the direct purchase of printing by independent establishments;

d. § 1102(a) - concerning the authority of the head of an independent establishment to print a document or matter;

e. § 1104 - concerning certification by head of independent establishment to use an illustration, engraving, or photograph in a document or report;

f. § 1119 - concerning the stamping, preservation, and delivery of publications of a permanent nature;

g. § 1501 et seq. - concerning publication in the Federal Register and Code of Federal Regulations;

h. § 1701 - concerning limiting the use of funds for public distribution of publications;

i. § 1710 - requiring head of independent establishment to deliver every document issued or published not confidential in nature;

j. § 1718, 1719 - concerning distribution of Government publications to the Library of Congress and others;

k. § 1901 - defining "Government publication";

l. § 1902 - authorizing "official use only" as holddown on public distribution;

m. § 2701 et seq. - concerning records management by Administrator of General Services;

n. § 2901 - concerning records management by Federal agencies;

o. § 3102(2) - concerning transfer to National Archives of records in existence for more than 50 years unless certified in use in the conduct of current business;

p. § 3103 - concerning the possible removal of statutory restrictions on disclosure on records in existence for 50 years;

q. § 3113 - concerning reports to the Administrator of General Services under certain chapters of the Title and to the President and the Congress of uncorrected violations;

r. § 3301 et seq. - concerning disposal of records;

s. § 3508 - concerning unlawful disclosure of information;

t. § 3702 - concerning written authority for advertisements.

3. It is not anticipated that H. R. 14144 will be approved this Congress.


Office of Legislative Counsel

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